GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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Conferences by SC/ST Hub
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Will the Minister of MICRO,SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of conferences conducted by SC/ST Hub during the last one year and the cost involved per conference at Regional/International levels, conference-wise;

(b) the name of Agencies involved and the process of selection for the same and the amount paid and as well as pending during the said period; and

(c) the name and number of tribal Agencies involved for conducting conference at different levels and the amount paid to tribal Agencies in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY

(a): The National Small Industries Corporation Ltd. (NSIC) which is the nodal agency for implementing the National Scheduled Caste & Scheduled Tribe Hub has organized 38 Special Vendor Development Programmes (SVDP) at a total expenditure of Rs. 26.16 lakh and 7 awareness programmes involving total expenditure of Rs. 2.19 lakh under this scheme. In addition, interaction meetings involving expenditure of Rs. 1.5 lakh per event were organized by NSIC at four clusters of SC/ST enterprises.

(b): Under National SC/ST Hub scheme, NSIC has been organizing /conducting Special Vendor Development Programmes, workshops/seminar/awareness programs and meetings, through its field offices in coordination with Industry Associations like Dalit Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DICCI), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Indian Chamber of Commerce of Affirmative Action (ICCAA) etc. Such events are organized as per guidelines of Special Marketing Assistance Scheme (MAS) being implemented by NSIC through its field offices.

(c): No conference has been organized involving any tribal agency. However, NSIC has been organizing Special Vendor Development Programs, workshops/seminar/ awareness programs and meetings in states having large tribal population like Maghalaya, Tripura, Chhattisgarh and Odisha.